BLACKSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

News Release

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SUBJECT:

Traffic Crash

Blacksburg Police are investigating a traffic crash that left one man injured and damaged a house this afternoon.

Police responded to the 12:25 p.m. crash on Route 460 near the South Town limits. The investigation revealed that a Ford pick-up operated by 33-year-old Ronnie Songer of Newport had crashed into a parked car and pushed both vehicles into the house located at 3640 South Main Street. Songer was originally east bound on 460 when he began experiencing feelings of sickness. He attempted to pull into a service station lot and does not remember anything from that point. The service station was approximately 150 feet from the crash site. Witness at the station reported seeing the truck come through the lot before it hit a sign, jumped the curb and crashed into the unoccupied truck. The unoccupied truck was a 1996 Dodge and sustained \$16,000 in damage. The Songer vehicle, a 1985 Ford, sustained 4,000 in damage. The residence was damaged slightly and officers estimate it will cost about \$1,000 to repair.

Songer was the only person injured and he was transported to Montgomery Regional Hospital by Blacksburg Rescue personnel. No charges have been placed.